TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, VERMONT COVID-19 RULE Wearing of Masks Required

Be it resolved by the Select Board of the Town of Plainfield, Vermont, as follows:

WHEREAS, Washington County, Vermont is experiencing a high rate of community transmission of COVID-19 and has been for over a month; and

WHEREAS, all of Vermont is experiencing a high rate of community transmission of COVID-19 and has been for over a month; and

WHEREAS, the State of Vermont Legislature has passed S.1. giving cities and towns the authority to set mask-mandates for their own communities, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) continues to recommend the use of masks to slow the spread of the COVID-19 novel coronavirus and its variants, and to help prevent people who may unknowingly have the virus from transmitting it to others; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 and its variants remain a present and continuously changing and growing health threat to residents of, and visitors to, Plainfield and a significant threat to vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, wearing a face covering is an important act of safety and empathy that those in Plainfield can do in an effort to protect others from an infection that may be unknowingly carried.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Select Board of the Town of Plainfield hereby issues the following COVID-19 Rule pursuant to the authority granted in S.1.

WEARING FACE MASKS REQUIRED INDOORS INSIDE ANY BUILDING THAT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN PLAINFIELD TOWN LIMITS

Requirement to Wear Face Masks:

Effective immediately, any person, whether an employee, a customer, or a visitor who enters a public or privately owned building that is open to the public must wear a face mask over their nose and mouth while inside the building-regardless of their vaccination status.

Exceptions:

- A mask or face covering is not required of children under the age of 2 years old.
- A mask or face covering should not be placed on anyone who has trouble breathing or is

- unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.
- A mask or face covering is not required of any person while eating or drinking while inside any establishment that serves food or beverages.
- If anyone has a medical condition that is complicated by facial coverings like a mask, a face shield is appropriate alternative and this should be worn instead of a mask.

Posting of Requirement:

Each building that is open to the public shall post signage at the entrance and at other appropriate locations stating that all staff, customers, and visitors are required to wear a face mask by order of the Plainfield Town Select Board. A standard sign is provided by the Town and attached to this Rule.

Effective Period:

As per statutes, this Rule shall remain in effect for 45 days unless the Plainfield Town Select Board amends, rescinds, or suspends this Rule. The Plainfield Town Select Board will revisit this Rule within the 45 days to determine whether it shall be extended for an additional 30 days.

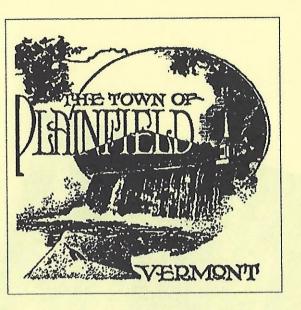
Adopted by the Town of Plainfield, Vermont Select Board at its meeting on January 4, 2022.

James Volz, Chair

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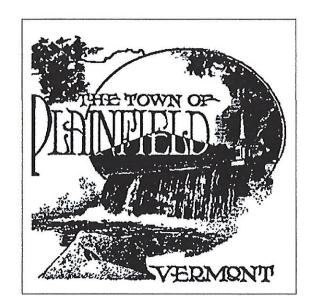
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